

The Procurement Edge

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NIGP FORUM 2020

75th CONNECTING PROCUREMENT COMMUNITIES

NIGP held their Annual Forum virtually August 24th – August 28th. This first-ever virtual forum was a resounding success.

Over 1,500 procurement professionals from across the country and Canada joined in for a virtual conference like no other. NIGP stated “exciting, energizing, and exhilarating are words that best describe the experience. The sessions were relevant, captivating and above all provided helpful information any procurement professionals can use.”

If you missed it, worry not, registration for Forum 2020 On-Demand is still open and Forum is available to watch at your leisure through **December 31, 2020**.

VIRTUAL FORUM ON-DEMAND PACKAGE

Member Price - \$297
Non-Member Price - \$397

CO-OPP's Professional Development Assistance Program (PDA) still has 2020 funds available for qualified members. These funds are approved annually to distribute to our members.

If you are a member in good standing (dues paid), attended two official chapter meetings and participate on one committee you could receive a minimum of \$100 for your professional development. If you are more active in the chapter you may qualify for funds up to \$875 annually.

PDA funds may be used toward the Virtual Forum On-Demand Package cost.

Register for NIGP's Virtual Forum On-Demand and submit your PDA application today!

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Lori Byrd, CPPB, President

MISSION

*Promote professionalism in
public procurement by
providing a forum for shared
resources and education for
members*

VISION

*To lead and promote
excellence in public
procurement*

**Next
General Membership
Virtual Meeting**

**Wednesday
November 18, 2020
2:00 – 4:30**

Virtual via Zoom



NIGP's 2020 Award Recipients

Albert H. Hall Memorial Award

Kenneth B. Koester, CPPO

Director – Retired

Unified Purchasing Cooperative

Cincinnati, OH

Anne Deatherage Meritorious Service Award

Denise K. Schneider, CPPO, CPPB, C.P.M.

Assistant Director

Purchasing & Material Control

Greater Orlando Aviation Authority

Buyer of the Year

Jason J. Steinmann, CPPB

Buyer

Granite School District

Salt Lake City, UT

Integrity Award

Teresa R. Slayton, CPPB, CICCM, CISM, CCA, GCPM, CPPC, CPP, CPPM

Former Sr. Procurement Specialist

DeKalb County Government, GA

Volunteer Award

Drakus D. Wiggins, CPPO, CPPB

Contracting Officer

Office of Contracts, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, Washington DC

Distinguished Service Award (DSA)

Richard Pennington, CPPO, J.D., L.L.M.

Director – Retired

Colorado Dept. of Personnel & Administration

Division of Finance and Procurement

Manager of the Year

Terri Spencer, C.P.M.

Manager

Design & Construction Division

Pima County, Tucson, AZ

Diversity and Inclusion Award

Ella H. Pierce CPPO, FNIGP, C.P.M.

Retired

City of Baltimore

Bureau of Purchases, MD

Leadership Award

Joan E. Graham, CPPO, CPPB

Executive Director

Kentucky Finance & Administration Cabinet,

Office of Procurement Services

Young Professional Award

Jenn Myers, CPPB

Principal Contract Officer

City of Tucson, AZ

2020 AEP Award Recipients

The National Procurement Institute, Inc. (NPI) is pleased to announce that the 25th Annual Achievement of Excellence in Procurement award (AEP) was earned by 188 agencies across the United States and Canada. Below are two Ohio agencies to achieve this excellence award.

Cleveland Metro Parks

Charlie Rosol, CPPO, CPPB

Procurement Manager

Northwest Ohio Regional Sewer District

Jacqueline L Williams, CPPO

Manager of Procurement Services

NIGP Recognizes Chapters with a New Chapter Performance Standards Seal

NIGP believes in the importance of recognizing outstanding chapters who perform and engage with their communities at a high level. They commend their chapters' efforts and dedication to the profession.

To accomplish this recognition NIGP developed a 'standard' in which chapters can strive to follow and advance the opportunities offered to their members. Participating chapters received a score which records their progress in achieving excellence. Once a chapter successfully meets the standard, a digital seal was issued.

CO-OPP submitted their application for the new Performance Standard Seal and is pleased to have received the **Silver Performance Standard Seal**. This establishes a baseline for CO-OPP to maintain and encouragement to advance our offerings to our members and achieve additional Performance Standard Seals in the future.



Connect your talents and passions while supporting and promoting our profession!

CO-OPP offers many ways to become active in the organization

- ✚ Join a committee thru CO-OPP's website using "Join A Committee" under the Committees / Volunteers link
- ✚ Become a committee chair - a chair is needed for:
 - Legislation Liaison

Contact Lori Byrd, President at president@coop.org if you are interested in chairing a committee.

"Tell me and I forget, teach me and I may remember, involve me and I learn."
- Benjamin Franklin



Mackenzie Nickell, Education Chair
education@coopp.org

Scheduled Virtual Class

✓ **Core Certificate: Foundations of Planning & Analysis - November 9 – 10**

See the Full Schedule of Events at: <https://www.coopp.org/insidepages/meetings/>

Lifelong learning and educational training are essential to your growth and success as a future public procurement leader. NIGP strives to provide innovative professional development opportunities that challenge you, empower you and give you the tools to thrive in this ever-evolving world.

To aid in your training NIGP is offering special savings as they continue to create innovative, cost-effective training experiences for their members.

Course listings and registration at:

[HTTPS://WWW.NIGP.ORG/HOME/YOUR-LEARNING-JOURNEY/EDUCATION/TAKE-A-COURSE](https://www.nigp.org/home/your-learning-journey/education/take-a-course)

NIGP MEMBER EXCLUSIVE SAVINGS

30% Savings

On select Virtual Competency Modules

Use Code: FORUS02

Special Price ½ day: \$109 (Regular Price \$155)

Special Price 1 day: \$217 (Regular Price \$310)

Special Price 1-½ day: \$277 (Regular Price \$395)

30% Savings

On select On-Demand Offerings

Use Code: ONDEMAND02

Special Price: \$80 Each (Regular Price \$115)

Register Before December 31, 2020

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEW STARS IN OHIO



Certified Professional	Certification	Agency/location
Jarrod Chappa	CPPB	State of Ohio - Public Safety
Lyndsay Harvey	CPPB	City of Cincinnati
Julie Hines	CPPB	State Teachers Retirement System of Ohio
Dan Jones	CPPB	Columbus Metropolitan Library

[Spring Exams – May 3-15 2021](#)



NIGP CERTIFICATION

Certified Professional	Certification	Agency/location
Deborah Bryan	CPP	State of Ohio - Public Safety
Barbara Johnson	CPP	Retired - State of Ohio - Rehabilitation & Corrections



The NIGP-CPP certification program was designed to assess all the critical competencies needed for today's evolving public procurement professional. It is based on the Public Procurement Competency Framework and complements existing certifications. One of the main differentiators is that the NIGP certification shifts the focus from gaining knowledge to assessing the full scope of your capabilities to include technical competencies and behavioral skills.

[Registration is now open for November 2020 and February 2021 testing.](#)



2020 NEW CO-OPP MEMBERS

Curtis Brooks, State of Ohio, Dept of Administrative Services, Office of Procurement Services

Michael Cohen, Ohio Bureau of Workers' Compensation

Donna Davies, State of Ohio, Dept of Administrative Services, Office of Procurement Services

Lana-Lea Dennis, City of Upper Arlington

Theresa Dittmar, State of Ohio, Dept of Administrative Services, Office of State Printing

Melina Jeter, State of Ohio, Dept. of Public Safety

Beth Hubbard, Ohio Attorney General

Lindsay Hupp, State of Ohio, Dept. of Public Safety

Andrew Miller, State of Ohio, Dept of Administrative Services, Office of Procurement Services

Maya Lewis, State of Ohio, Dept. of Job & Family Services

Frederick Miller, State of Ohio, Dept. of Health

Barry Zimmerman, State of Ohio, Dept of Administrative Services, Office of Printing Services

What's Happening

UP-COMING EVENTS

Virtual Course Core Certificate: Foundations of Planning & Analysis	November 9-10 8:00 – 5:00
Board of Directors Meeting	November 10 2:30 – 4:00
Virtual November General Membership Meeting	November 18 2:00 – 4:30
Board of Directors Meeting	December 10 2:30 – 4:00



ATTEND CO-OPP'S NOVEMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

November 18TH 2:00 – 4:30

IT WILL BE VIRTUAL VIA ZOOM

- 1. REGISTER SEVERAL DAYS BEFORE THE MEETING DATE**
- 2. REGISTRANTS WILL RECEIVE ZOOM LINK VIA EMAIL - IS YOUR EMAIL UP TO DATE?**
- 3. WHEN YOU DIAL OR LINK INTO ZOOM, YOU WILL BE PLACED IN A WAITING AREA**
- 4. LOG-INS ARE MONITORED, THE SECURITY TEAM ALLOWS ACCESS TO THE MEETING, THIS MAY TAKE SEVERAL MINUTES, BE PATIENT**
- 5. NETWORKING STARTS 30 MINS PRIOR TO MEETING, BE SURE TO LINK IN EARLY**



CO-OPP NOVEMBER ELECTION

The CO-OPP chapter will conduct its biannual election during the General Membership Meeting on Wednesday November 18, 2020. The office of Treasurer and Secretary are to be elected during the November meeting. The following nominations have been received during the open nomination period.

Treasurer – (Term January 1, 2021 thru December 31, 2022)

Candidate: [Kellie Johnson](#), CPPB, CTA

Manager, Contracts & IT Procurement/ Procurement & Business Diversity
Columbus Regional Airport Authority

Treasurer Candidate Kellie Johnson's background in brief:

- Over 19 year of procurement experience
- Holds CPPB certification
- Served on several CO-OPP Committees including: Programs (2 years), March is Purchasing Month (6 years), Budget & Finance (8 years), Chaired and Co-Chaired Membership (3 years)
- Completed training of the CO-OPP website Chapter Manager software
- Received the Above and Beyond Recognition from CO-OPP President in 2015
- Nominated for CO-OPP Volunteer of the Year and Manager of the Year in 2017
- Received the Cronin Honorable Mention Award from NASPO in 2018
- Served as CO-OPP Treasurer for the past 4 years

What will Kellie Johnson do to support the continued success of CO-OPP?

I would like to continue as Treasurer for our chapter and further involve myself within CO-OPP by maintaining a leadership position where we can as a group look towards setting goals to maintain our financial stability while providing strategic but meaningful benefits to our membership and celebrate the spirit of our jobs in the procurement profession. If re-elected Treasurer, I would continue to work with the Budget & Finance committee to align the budget with our chapter goals and mission. My goal is to provide a structured budget that would maintain funding for our chapter's growth for current and future members.



Secretary – (Term January 1, 2021 thru December 31, 2022)

Candidate: **Leah K. Zuck**, MBA, CPPO, CPPB

Contracts Supervisor

Franklin County Children Services,

Procurement & Contracts Management Dept



Secretary Candidate Leah K. Zuck's background in brief:

- Worked in the Contracts Department at Franklin County Children Services while attending various meetings and taking meeting minutes, as necessary
- Secretary of CO-OPP since early 2019
- Maintained minutes during her tenure as secretary and provided transparency to members

What will Leah K. Zuck do to support the continued success of CO-OPP?

As Secretary to CO-OPP, I will continue to ensure that information presented during general membership meetings and board meetings are accurately reflected in the minutes. I feel this is important because CO-OPP members and others can look back to see discussion that took place or why certain decisions were made. I believe meeting minutes help to bring clarity regarding important discussion topics and help to remove uncertainty.



NEW ELECTED OFFICERS

Congratulations to CO-OPP's new elected Officers:

Mark Later, Vice President

Donna Davies, Member at Large

Our new officers were elected in the special election held during the October 1, 2020 General Membership Meeting.